



Proclamation
Presented to
Keali'i Reichel
HAWAIIAN MUSIC HALL OF FAME
◆ 2011 INDUCTEE ◆

WHEREAS, Keali'i Reichel was born and raised on Maui, growing up in Lāhaina, and spending weekends and summers at his grandmother's house in Pāia; and

WHEREAS, Keali'i Reichel developed his passion for the language and culture of Hawai'i, which lead him to become the founding director for Pūnana Leo O Maui, the Hawaiian language immersion school; and

WHEREAS, Keali'i Reichel has taught Hawaiian culture and language at Maui Community College, and was the Cultural Resource Specialist and Curator at the Bailey House Museum in Wailuku; and

WHEREAS, Keali'i Reichel founded his own hula school in 1980, Hālau Ke'alaokamaile which has won numerous awards at the King Kamehameha and Merri Monarch hula competitions; and

WHEREAS, Keali'i Reichel independently produced and released a collection of Hawaiian traditional and contemporary songs and chants including "Kawaipunahele" in 1994; and "Lei Hali'a" (1995); "E O Mai" (1997); "Melalana" (1999); "Ke'alaokamaile" (2003); "Kamahiwa" (2005); "Maluhia" (2006); and "Kamalei" (2008) which had earned him a covenant place among the giants of the Hawaiian music industry; and

WHEREAS, Keali'i Reichel was recognized for his work with twenty-eight Nā Hōku Hanohano Awards, a place in Billboards Magazine's "World Music" and "Heatseeker Charts," and was nominated for a Grammy Award in the "Best Hawaiian Album" category for his release of "Ke'alaokamaile"; and

WHEREAS, Keali'i Reichel will be inducted into the Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame on May 1, 2011;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and **I, BRIAN SCHATZ**, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim May 1, 2011, as

"KEALI'I REICHEL" DAY

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us and the Hawaiian Music Hall of Fame in recognizing him for his contributions to Hawaiian Music and the history of culture & arts in Hawai'i.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-sixth day of April, 2011.



NEIL ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawai'i



BRIAN SCHATZ

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i